ELDER AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT[321]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 231.14, the Elder Affairs Department hereby adopts amendments to Chapter 16, "Senior Living Coordinating Unit," Iowa Administrative Code.

These amendments allow the Senior Living Coordinating Unit to appoint work groups to research and make recommendations on issues to be considered by the Unit and reduce the number of required meetings.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on September 10, 2008, as **ARC 7129B**. The public comment period on this Notice ended October 1, 2008.

Two comments regarding the amendments to Chapter 16 were received. One comment was unrelated to the amendments. The second comment expressed concern over the reduction in the number of annual meetings held by the Senior Living Coordinating Unit (from six to four).

The consensus among members of the Senior Living Coordinating Unit is that fewer meetings will result in improved attendance, thereby increasing the odds of achieving a quorum at the meetings. No changes were made as a result of this comment.

These amendments are identical to those published under Notice.

The Commission adopted these amendments during its regularly scheduled meeting on December 3, 2008.

These amendments will become effective February 4, 2009.

These amendments are intended to implement Iowa Code chapters 21, 231 and 249H.

The following amendments are adopted.

ITEM 1. Adopt the following **new** subrule 16.2(7):

16.2(7) The unit may, on an as-needed basis, appoint work groups related to specific issues.

ITEM 2. Amend rule 321—16.4(21,231,249H) as follows:

321—16.4(21,231,249H) Meetings. The unit shall meet a minimum of six four times a year. Meeting dates shall be set by members of the unit at the first meeting following July 1 of each year. The chairperson may call a special meeting upon five days' notice.

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